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*Report from Veracruz—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick reports, October 28:

Week ended October 26. October 22 fumigated the British steamship *Rosa Lea*, bound for Pensacola, with 24 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast. Fumigated the Mexican steamship *Oaxaca*, bound for Mobile, with 26 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast.

October 24 inspected the American steamship *Merida*, bound for New York via Progreso and Habana, with 127 in the crew, 100 cabin and 20 steerage passengers; vessel sails in a general cargo. Fumigated the Norwegian steamship *City of Tampico*, bound for New Orleans, with 21 in the crew and 1 passenger; vessel sails in a small general cargo and fruit.

October 25 inspected the American schooner *Van M. Dantzler*, bound for Pascagoula, with 8 in the crew; vessel sailed in ballast October 26.

October 26 fumigated the British steamship *Rosebank*, bound for Port Arthur, with 27 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast.

Fumigated the British steamship *Barbadian*, bound for New Orleans, with 47 in the crew and 1 passenger. Vessel sails in a small cargo of cotton-seed oil cake from Tampico for Liverpool.

Inspected the Spanish steamship *Antonio Lopez*, bound for New York via Habana, with 134 in the crew, 34 cabin and 24 steerage passengers; vessel sails in a general cargo for Spanish ports.

No quarantinable disease was reported during the week.

## PANAMA.

*Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended October 27. Present officially estimated population, 4,954. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 23	Mount Vernon .....	Mobile .....	20	1	0	0
23	Fort Gaines .....	do .....	24	0	0	0
27	Greenbrier .....	New Orleans .....	45	3	0	0

## PERU.

*Report from Callao—Inspection of vessels—Plague in Peru—Small-pox at Lima, and at Iquique, Chile—Vigorous measures instituted at Callao against plague.*

Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, October 13:

Week ended October 12. Vessels dispatched as follows: The German steamship *Istria*, October 10, for San Francisco, Cal., with a general cargo and a total personnel of 57, of whom 2 members of crew and 2 cabin passengers were from this port. The Chilean steamship

*Huasco*, October 12, for Ancon, Canal Zone, with a general cargo and a total personnel of 207, of whom 6 members of crew, 45 cabin and 55 steerage passengers were from this port. The British steamship *Cuzco*, October 12, for New York, with general cargo and a total personnel of 56; none from this port. All three vessels were fumigated.

The following is the latest report on plague in Peru by the Director de Salubridad:

Locality.	Cases October 2.	New.	Recov- ered.	Died.	Remain- ing Octo- ber 9.
Lima .....		1			1
Callao .....	3	1			4
Trujillo .....	8	1	2?	1?	5
Piura .....	1				1
San Pedro .....	1				
Paita .....	3		2		1
Mollendo .....	1				1

Smallpox continues in Lima.

Except for smallpox in Iquique no quarantinable disease is reported by bills of health from Chile.

Since the beginning of the month more vigorous measures have been instituted against plague. A house of detention for contacts and suspects has been begun, and 185 houses have been disinfected.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*Reports from Manila—Inspection of vessels—Increase in cholera at Manila—Outbreak of plague in island of Leyte stamped out—Cholera in island of Masbate—Circular relative to interisland quarantine.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, September 20, 27, and October 1:

Week ended September 14. Quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila as follows: *Cholera*—6 cases, 4 deaths. *Smallpox*—1 case, no deaths.

During the week consular bills of health were issued as follows:

September 10 the British steamer *Tsinan*, with 69 crew and 6 passengers, en route from Yokohama to Zamboanga, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

September 13 the Norwegian steamer *Opland*, with 26 crew, en route from Singapore to Cebu via Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

Week ended September 21. Quarantinable diseases reported for the city of Manila as follows:

*Cholera*.—11 cases, 9 deaths. *Smallpox*.—1 case, 0 deaths.

During the week covered by this report there has been a slight increase in the number of cholera cases occurring in the city of Manila, but the disease still takes the sporadic form and shows no tendency to become epidemic.

The outbreak of cholera in the island of Leyte, more particularly in the town of Carigara, of which mention was made in the report for the week ended August 31, 1907,<sup>a</sup> has been completely stamped out,

<sup>a</sup> See Public Health Reports, October 25, 1907, page 1534.